

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A numerical control oscillator comprising:
  - a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and
  - a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,
  - said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of a sampling frequency  $F_s$ ,
- 10 wherein:
  - if an upper limit of a desired frequency setting interval of an output signal is  $F_D$  and,  $K$  and  $L$  are arbitrary integers,
  - said calculator of said phase accumulator is performs one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register by a
  - 15 modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M$  as a modulus, where  $M = F_s/F_D \times K/L$ ; and
  - said phase/amplitude conversion table outputs a signal set to a frequency setting interval of a  $dF$  step, where  $dF = F_D/K \times L$ .
- 20 2. A digital down-converter comprising a frequency converter, the frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $F_s$ , said digital down-converter converting and outputting said input signal into an output signal with a frequency lower than that of said input signal, said numerical control oscillator having:
  - 25 a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and
  - a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude
  - 30 data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,
  - said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency  $F_s$ , wherein, if a desired frequency setting interval of said input signal is  $F_D$  and  $K$  and  $L$  are arbitrary integers, said frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said input

signal using a specific signal output from said local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of a  $dF$  step, where  $dF = FD/K \times L$ , said local oscillator outputting the specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M$  as a modulus, where  $M = Fs/FD \times K/L$ .

- 5           3.       A digital down-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $Fs1$ , and a second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter as a second local
- 10 oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said digital down-converter converting and outputting said input signal into an output signal with a frequency lower than that of said input signal by two frequency conversions, said numerical control oscillator having:
  - a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate
  - 15 phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and
  - a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,
  - 20 said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:
    - if a desired frequency setting interval of said input signal is  $FD$  and  $K1$ ,  $K2$  and  $L1$  are arbitrary integers,
    - said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said input signal
    - 25 using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = FD/K1 \times L1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = Fs1/FD \times K1/L1$ ; and
    - 30 said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said first frequency converter is  $Fs2$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2 = (FD \bmod FD1)/K2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal

by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = Fs2/(FD \bmod FD1) \times K2$ .

4. The digital down-converter as set forth in claim 3, wherein said second  
5 frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

5. A digital down-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first  
frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and  
serving to frequency-convert an input signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $Fs1$ , and a  
second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical  
10 numerical control oscillator as the first frequency converter as a second local oscillator  
and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency  
converter, said digital down-converter converting and outputting said input signal into  
an output signal with a frequency lower than that of said input signal by two frequency  
conversions, said numerical control oscillator having:

15 a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate  
phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said  
phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase  
difference data and said phase data from said register; and

20 a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude  
data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency,  
wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said input signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$  and  
 $L1$  are arbitrary integers,

25 said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said input signal  
using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency  
setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = FD/K1 \times L1$ , said first local oscillator  
outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a  
modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 =$   
30  $Fs1/FD \times K1/L1$ ; and

said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the  
output signal from said first frequency converter is  $Fs2$ , frequency-convert said output  
signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said  
second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2$

=  $(FD1 \bmod FD)/K2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = Fs2/(FD1 \bmod FD) \times K2$ .

5           6.       The digital down-converter as set forth in claim 5, wherein said second frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

7.       A digital down-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $Fs1$ , and a  
10       second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as in the first frequency converter as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said digital down-converter converting and outputting said input  
15       signal into an output signal with a frequency lower than that of said input signal by two frequency conversions, said numerical control oscillator having:

      a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

20       a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

      said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

25       if a desired frequency setting interval of said input signal is  $FD$  and  $K1$ ,  $K2$  and  $L1$  are arbitrary integers,

      said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said input signal using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = FD/K1 \times L1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a  
30       modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = Fs1/FD \times K1/L1$ ; and

      said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said first frequency converter is  $Fs2$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said

second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2 = FD/K2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = Fs2/FD \times K2$ .

5           8.       The digital down-converter as set forth in claim 7, wherein said second frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

9.       A digital up-converter comprising a frequency converter, the frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal, said digital up-converter converting said input signal  
10 into a signal with a frequency higher than that of said input signal and outputting the converted signal as an output signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $F_s$ , said numerical control oscillator having:

15           a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

20           a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator, said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency  $F_s$ ,

25           wherein, if a desired frequency setting interval of said output signal is  $FD$  and  $K$  and  $L$  are arbitrary integers, said frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said input signal using a specific signal output from said local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of a  $dF$  step, where  $dF = FD/K \times L$ , said local oscillator outputting the specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M$  as a modulus, where  $M = Fs/FD \times K/L$ .

30           10.      A digital up-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal, and a second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said

digital up-converter performing two frequency conversions to convert said input signal into a signal with a frequency higher than that of said input signal and output the converted signal as an output signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $F_{s2}$ , said numerical control oscillator having:

- 5           a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and
- a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude
- 10   data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,
- said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency,
- wherein:
- if a desired frequency setting interval of said output signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L2$  are arbitrary integers,
- 15           said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2 = FD/K2 \times L2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer
- 20   of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = F_{s2}/FD \times K2/L2$ ; and
- said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of said input signal is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said input signal using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = (FD \bmod FD2)/K1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the second specific
- 25   signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_{s1}/(FD \bmod FD2) \times K1$ .

11.   The digital up-converter as set forth in claim 10, wherein said first frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

- 30           12.   A digital up-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal, and a second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter as a second local oscillator and serving to

secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said digital up-converter performing two frequency conversions to convert said input signal into a signal with a frequency higher than that of said input signal and output the converted signal as an output signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $Fs_2$ , said numerical control oscillator having:

a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said output signal is  $FD$  and  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$  and  $L_2$  are arbitrary integers,

said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD_2$  step, where  $FD_2 = FD/K_2 \times L_2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M_2$  as a modulus, where  $M_2 = Fs_2/FD \times K_2/L_2$ ; and

said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of said input signal is  $Fs_1$ , frequency-convert said input signal using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD_1$  step, where  $FD_1 = (FD_2 \bmod FD)/K_1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M_1$  as a modulus, where  $M_1 = Fs_1/(FD_2 \bmod FD) \times K_1$ .

13. The digital up-converter as set forth in claim 12, wherein said first frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

14. A digital up-converter comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert an input signal, and a second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as

included in the first frequency converter as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said digital up-converter performing two frequency conversions to convert said input signal into a signal with a frequency higher than that of said input signal and output the converted signal as an output signal sampled at a sampling frequency  $F_{s2}$ , said numerical control oscillator having:

5 a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

10 a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

15 if a desired frequency setting interval of said output signal is  $FD$  and  $K1$ ,  $K2$  and  $L2$  are arbitrary integers,

said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2 = FD/K2 \times L2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = F_{s2}/FD \times K2/L2$ ; and

20 said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of said input signal is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said input signal using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = FD/K1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_{s1}/FD \times K1$ .

30 15. The digital up-converter as set forth in claim 14, wherein said first frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

16. A receiver comprising a first frequency converter, the first frequency converter including a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert a received signal, said first local oscillator including a numerical control oscillator operating at a



sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a phase locked loop (PLL) circuit having a multiplication ratio  $P$  ( $P$  is an integer) and acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator as a reference signal, a second frequency converter, the second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first local oscillator as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, and a demodulator for demodulating an output signal from said second frequency converter to extract received data therefrom, said receiver converting said received signal into a baseband received signal with a frequency lower than that of said received signal by two frequency conversions and extracting the received data from the converted baseband received signal, said numerical control oscillator having:

a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said received signal is  $FD$  and  $K_1$ ,  $K_2$  and  $L_1$  are arbitrary integers,

said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said received signal using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FDP$  step, where  $FDP = FD/K_1 \times L_1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M_1$  as a modulus, where  $M_1 = F_s/FD \times K_1/L_1 \times P$ ; and

said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said first frequency converter is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD_2$  step, where  $FD_2 = (FD \bmod FDP)/K_2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M_2$  as a modulus, where  $M_2 = F_{s1}/(FD \bmod FDP) \times K_2$ .

17. The receiver as set forth in claim 16, wherein said second frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

18. A receiver comprising a first frequency converter including a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert a received signal, said first local oscillator including a numerical control oscillator operating at a sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a PLL circuit having a multiplication ratio  $P$  ( $P$  is an integer) and acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator as a reference signal, a second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first local oscillator as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, and a demodulator for demodulating an output signal from said second frequency converter to extract received data therefrom, said receiver converting said received signal into a baseband received signal with a frequency lower than that of said received signal by two frequency conversions and extracting the received data from the converted baseband received signal, said numerical control oscillator having:

a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said received signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L1$  are arbitrary integers,

said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said received signal using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FDP$  step, where  $FDP = FD/K1 \times L1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_s/FD \times K1/L1 \times P$ ; and

said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said first frequency converter is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said

second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an FD2 step, where  $FD2 = (FDP \bmod FD)/K2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of M2 as a modulus, where  $M2 = Fs1/(FDP \bmod FD) \times K2$ .

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19. The receiver as set forth in claim 18, wherein said second frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

20. A receiver comprising a first frequency converter including a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert a received signal, said first local oscillator including a numerical control oscillator operating at a sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a PLL circuit having a multiplication ratio  $P$  ( $P$  is an integer) and acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator as a reference signal, a second frequency converter including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first local oscillator as a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, and a demodulator for demodulating an output signal from said second frequency converter to extract received data therefrom, said receiver converting said received signal into a baseband received signal with a frequency lower than that of said received signal by two frequency conversions and extracting the received data from the converted baseband received signal, said numerical control oscillator having:

a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

25 a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

30 if a desired frequency setting interval of said received signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L1$  are arbitrary integers,

said first frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert said received signal using a first specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an FDP step, where  $FDP = FD/K1 \times L1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data

by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_s/FD \times K1/L1 \times P$ ; and

said second frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said first frequency converter is  $Fs1$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said first frequency converter using a second specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD2$  step, where  $FD2 = FD/K2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = F_s1/FD \times K2$ .

21. The receiver as set forth in claim 20, wherein said second frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

22. A transmitter comprising a modulator for modulating and outputting a baseband transmit signal based on transmit data, a first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert the output signal from said modulator, a second frequency converter including a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said second local oscillator including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter operating at a sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a PLL circuit having a multiplication ratio  $P$  ( $P$  is an integer) and acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator as a reference signal, said transmitter converting and outputting said baseband transmit signal into a transmit signal with a frequency higher than that of said baseband transmit signal by two frequency conversions, said numerical control oscillator having:

a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said transmit signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L2$  are arbitrary integers,

said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an FDP step, where  $FDP = FD/K2 \times L2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by  
 5 accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of M2 as a modulus, where  $M2 = F_s/FD \times K2/L2 \times P$ ; and

said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said modulator is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said modulator using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to  
 10 a frequency setting interval of an FD1 step, where  $FD1 = (FD \bmod FDP)/K1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of M1 as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_{s1}/(FD \bmod FDP) \times K1$ .

15 23. The transmitter as set forth in claim 22, wherein said first frequency converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

24. A transmitter comprising a modulator for modulating and outputting a baseband transmit signal based on transmit data, a first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert  
 20 the output signal from said modulator, a second frequency converter including a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said second local oscillator including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter operating at a sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a PLL circuit having a multiplication ratio P (P is an integer) and  
 25 acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator as a reference signal, said transmitter converting and outputting said baseband transmit signal into a transmit signal with a frequency higher than that of said baseband transmit signal by two frequency conversions, said numerical control oscillator having:

30 a phase accumulator for accumulating input phase difference data to generate phase data, said phase accumulator including a register for storing and outputting said phase data, and a calculator for one of adding and subtracting said input phase difference data and said phase data from said register; and

a memory for storing a phase/amplitude conversion table to output amplitude data corresponding to said phase data generated by said phase accumulator,

said numerical control oscillator outputting a signal of the sampling frequency, wherein:

if a desired frequency setting interval of said transmit signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L2$  are arbitrary integers,

5        said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FDP$  step, where  $FDP = FD/K2 \times L2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M2$  as a modulus, where  $M2 = F_s/FD \times K2/L2 \times P$ ; and

10        said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said modulator is  $F_{s1}$ , frequency-convert said output signal from said modulator using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an  $FD1$  step, where  $FD1 = (FDP \bmod FD)/K1$ , said first  
15        local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of  $M1$  as a modulus, where  $M1 = F_{s1}/(FDP \bmod FD) \times K1$ .

25.        The transmitter as set forth in claim 24, wherein said first frequency  
20        converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.

26.        A transmitter comprising a modulator for modulating and outputting a baseband transmit signal based on transmit data, a first frequency converter including a numerical control oscillator as a first local oscillator and serving to frequency-convert  
25        the output signal from said modulator, a second frequency converter including a second local oscillator and serving to secondarily frequency-convert an output signal from said first frequency converter, said second local oscillator including an identical numerical control oscillator as included in the first frequency converter operating at a sampling frequency  $F_s$  and a PLL circuit having a multiplication ratio  $P$ , where  $P$  is an integer, and  
30        acting to receive the output signal from the numerical control oscillator of claim 1 as a reference signal, said transmitter converting and outputting said baseband transmit signal into a transmit signal with a frequency higher than that of said baseband transmit signal by two frequency conversions, wherein:

35        if a desired frequency setting interval of said transmit signal is  $FD$ , and  $K1$ ,  $K2$ , and  $L2$  are arbitrary integers,

said second frequency converter is adapted to frequency-convert the output signal from said first frequency converter using a first specific signal output from said second local oscillator and set to a frequency setting interval of an FDP step, where  $FDP = FD/K2 \times L2$ , said second local oscillator outputting the first specific signal by  
 5 accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of M2 as a modulus, where  $M2 = Fs/FD \times K2/L2 \times P$ ; and

said first frequency converter is adapted to, if a sampling frequency of the output signal from said modulator is Fs1, frequency-convert said output signal from said modulator using a second specific signal output from said first local oscillator and set to  
 10 a frequency setting interval of an FD1 step, where  $FD1 = FD/K1$ , said first local oscillator outputting the second specific signal by accumulating said phase difference data by a modulo operation taking a nearest integer of M1 as a modulus, where  $M1 = Fs1/FD \times K1$ .

27. The transmitter as set forth in claim 26, wherein said first frequency  
 15 converter is adapted to stop the frequency conversion.